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In re Application of
Helmut BURKLIN, et al.
Application No. 09/856,063
Filed 12 July 2001
Attorney Docket No.: PF 980079

DECISION ON PETITION
UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) filed 05 July 2005 and ensuing communication filed by facsimile on 05 August 2005, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within TWO (2) MONTHS from the mail date of this decision. Extensions of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) are permitted. The reconsideration request should include a cover letter entitled "Renewed Petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b)." Petitioner is advised that this is **not** a final agency action decision.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the final Office action mailed 18 January 2005, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on 19 April 2005.

As authorized in communication of 05 August 2005, the \$1,500.00 petition fee under 37 CFR 1.137(b) and 1.17(m) has been charged to Deposit Account No. 07-0832.

A grantable petition to revive an abandoned application under 37 CFR 1.137(b) must be accompanied by: (1) the required reply (unless previously filed), which may met by the filing of a continuing application in a non-provisional application abandoned for failure to prosecute, but must be the payment of the issue fee or any outstanding balance thereof in an application or patent, abandoned or lapsed for failure to pay the issue fee or any portion thereof; (2) the petition fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m); (3) a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional; and (4) any terminal disclaimer (and fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.20(d)). This petition lacks item (1) above.

As to item (1), the amendment submitted on 05 July 2005 does not *prima facie* places the application in condition for allowance. The required reply to the final Office action must be an amendment that *prima facie* places the application in condition for allowance, a Notice

of Appeal and the requisite fee, or a request for continued examination (RCE). A courtesy copy of the Advisory Action is enclosed.

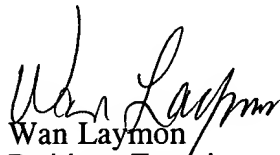
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Attachment: Courtesy copy of the Advisory Action